



# Hinges & Tongs

ROCHESTER PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION, INC  
P.O. Box 10206, BRIGHTON STATION  
ROCHESTER, NEW YORK 14610-0206

## RPA OFFICERS

### 2004 - 2005

President- **Paul Gerwitz**  
Vice President- **Mark Hull**  
Treasurer- **Rich Spinelli**  
Corresponding Secretary,  
Editor *Hinges & Tongs*  
**Joe Doles**

Recording Secretary  
**Dave Marcus**

## Board of Governors

**Bob Kingstom**  
(term expires June 30, 2005)

**Chuck Schultz**  
(term expires June 30, 2006)

**Ray Stone**  
(term expires June 30, 2007)  
Immediate RPA Past President

**Jim Piccuch**

### Appointments

Membership Chairperson  
**TBD**

Librarian- **Joe Doles**

Articles may be submitted for publication to:

**Joe Doles**  
**105 Lawson Rd.,**  
**Rochester, NY 14616-1444.**

Neatly hand-written or double spaced  
typewritten or sent electronically to  
**JKD52@aol.com.**

Any originals submitted for

## April 2005

## Business Meeting Called

RPA President Paul Gerwitz

A special (annual nominations) business meeting has been called for April 28, 2005 at 7:30 PM. This meeting will precede the regular program meeting set for the same night. The purpose of this business meeting is to obtain nominations for the various offices to be elected at the annual business meeting in June 2005.

Nominees must have assented to be nominated, be able to perform all the duties listed in the constitution for the office and have the time and schedule to allow for their physical attendance at board meetings.

The ballot will include a line for a write-in but election in this way must follow the same conditions listed in the previous statement.

The following procedure will be used:

- 1.) The nominations committee will report by presenting a proposed slate, one name for each office.
- 2.) The president will then open the floor for nominations to be added to those proposed on the slate, one office at a time in the following order : Pres, Vice Pres, Treasurer, Recording Secy, Corresponding Secy, Board member at large.
- 3.) When no more nominations for a particular office are offered, the nominations for that office will be closed and the next in order will be opened.
- 4.) When nominations for the last office are closed, the President shall close the business meeting and open the scheduled regular meeting.
- 5.) The corresponding secretary will then create a ballot containing the names of the nominees for each office. A ballot will be mailed to each member who will have 30 days to mark their ballot and return it no later than the scheduled annual business meeting in person or by mail. At this meeting you must return the original ballot sent to you. If you lose it or forget to bring it or mail it, you will not be given another copy.

## RS Stamp Show

May 1 Rochester  
Eagle's Club, 1200 Buffalo  
Road. Hours: 10-4. **Bourse.**  
Contact:  
**John Nunes, (518)399-8395.**

We meet on the second and fourth Thursdays of most months between September and June. November and December we meet only on the first Thursday. Our headquarters is at the Twelve Corners Presbyterian Church at 1200 South Winton Road. A buy/sell/trade period runs from 7:00-7:45 PM, followed by the formal meeting at 7:45 PM. A silent auction concludes most evening's program.

## ROPEX 2005, June 10-12

Webster Community Field House

800 Five Mile Line Road, Webster, NY

Free Admission and Parking - Smoke-Free

Friday 11 AM - 6 PM, Saturday 10 AM - 5 PM, Sunday 10 AM - 4 PM

**Celebrating... Youth Theme:**

Kids & Stamps,

Kids & Sports, Kids & their Pets

## ROPEX 2005 Special Events

**Friday 9:30-11 AM- "Early Bird" Bourse-** Stamp dealers not reserving tables for ROPEX or interested collectors are invited to enter the show early for a \$20 admission fee. The show opens to the public at 11 AM with free admission.

**Cachet Makers' Bourse-** To be held Saturday between 2 and 6 PM. Dealers will get an 8 foot table for \$30 in the outer hallway entrance to the show. (Location subject to availability.) Send inquiries here. A minimum of 5 dealers must sign up by April 1 to participate.

**Saturday 9-10 AM: Second Annual "Breakfast at ROPEX" Lecture-** Join us for a complimentary continental breakfast and a presentation by Bob Lamb, APS Executive Director. RSVP recommended by June 3, as space is limited

### Just for Kids

**Youth "Champion of Champions" Exhibit Competition-** Which of some 20 exhibits will be crowned "the best"? Youth grand champions from national level World Series of Philately exhibitions from across the US and Canada are invited to compete to determine the "Champion of Champions."

**Stamp Camp USA, Saturday, 10 AM-4 PM** Cheryl Edgcomb of Knoxville, PA, originator and manager of the US Postal Services' Stamp Camp USA, comes to Rochester with a fun 6 hour class on stamp collecting basics for kids aged 8-14. Advanced registration required, maximum 20 participants, first-come basis. \$25 charge covers all materials. Lunch is included.

**Youth 3-D Creative Exhibit Competition (in coordination with Stamp Camp USA)-** Youngsters ages 8-18 may participate in this unique combination of artwork and philatelic elements.

### Meeting Schedule

**April 14**

Nominations business meeting

**April 28**

John Kellas, III Incased Postage Stamps

**May 12**

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**May 26**

ROPEX work night

**June 9**

Annual business meeting

**June 10-12**

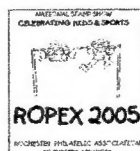
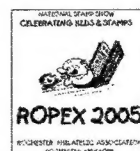
ROPEX Stamp Show

**June 24**

Season End Strawberry Festival

*All programs are tentative.*

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